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<i>E. coli</i> LT	KLYRADSRPPD	LYDHARGTQ	YDDGYVSTSLSRSA	SPHPYEQVVSALGGI
<i>N. meningitidis</i>	FLYRGISCQOD	VYAHQIETG	YDGCYISTTTDKIEA	PENPNERVVTIRAED
<i>S. coelicolor</i>	TLYRSDSRGPQVVFEEGFHAKDVQNGQYDVEKYVLVNQPSPIVSTSYDHDLY			HKWADQVSVAFPGGI
<i>M. pneumoniae</i>	FVYRVDLRSPD	FFEHLSTN	GRSYFISTSETPTAA	TSFAYQREVTGPI
<i>S. typhi</i>	FVYRVDSTPPD		SCSGGSdSRYIATT	TMMRLQREYVSTLSI
<i>S. paratyphi</i>	FVYRVDSTPPD		SCSGGSdSRYIATT	TMMRLQREYVSTLSI
<i>S. pyogenes</i>	VVYRYVYETFL		TKHSFMSTTALKNGA	SAVPSSEVALLPRGC
<i>L. monocytogenes</i>	ILYRGTSSEIL		EEKGMSTTTISNOT	SETPEEAQVLFNIGQ

(57) Abstract: An ADP-ribosylating toxin from *Listeria monocytogenes* is disclosed, together with mutant toxins and uses therefor. There is only a low level of sequence identity between this toxin and known toxins such as the iota toxin from *Clostridium perfringens*.